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Urgent Appeal To Red Cross Workers

Special Request from Headquarters —Need Was Never So Great. Advice as to Articles Most Needed

Mrs. Clara McEachren of Toronto, chairman of the National Women's War Work committee of Canadian Red Cross has been in Great Britain making a first-hand survey of existing needs, and in a report just received by the local branch of the Red Cross, states:

"Those twelve days were most useful and have provided me with much knowledge which will be useful to us here at home, especially the difficulties which exist.

"From what I have seen, the need was never greater than now. With the widespread damage to homes by the flying bombs, these wonderful people are faced with the hardest winter yet, as far as personal hardship is concerned. The calls coming from Europe will make heavy demands on our existing supplies."

Calling upon the women of Canada in Red Cross to bend to the task as never before, Mrs. McEachren stressed the need of warm clothing of all kinds for civilians; long-sleeved sweaters, and sweaters and socks for children who must suffer if the need is not met now.

Mrs. Mason, Alberta chairman of Women's War Work committee, adding to the above report, says:

"Material and wool are not as plentiful as in past years, therefore those we have must be used only for articles required. If sweaters are asked for the wool sent out for these must not be made into socks. It is evident that great numbers of our workers still insist on making articles they most like to make. This is proved by the fact that many of the small knitted articles have been over-shipped, whereas, to quote just one instance of the 55,000 long-sleeved khaki sweaters asked for (across the Dominion) only 13,000 have been shipped to date.

"The same applies to other material. When materials are issued, you are asked to make them into the articles asked for.

"We urge you to go to your Red Cross branch, take whatever work is most needed, and do it as quickly as possible. It is your own personal responsibility. You are the Red Cross. You are the only one who can do it. The need is very real and very urgent. This is the home stretch—the last long mile."

What is remembered afterwards is not with what high enthusiasm we began the job, but how we finish it.

"We must not, and we cannot fail."

The local branch hopes that within the next week, they will have on hand material for garments most needed, and new workers for either sewing or knitting will be welcomed.

Ration Coupons For January

On Thursday, January 11 butter coupon 92 becomes valid. On January 18 butter coupon 93 is valid. On January 25 butter coupon 94 is valid. One coupon is good for half-a-pound.

On December 18 sugar coupons 50 and 51 are valid, and preserves coupons 37 and 38. One coupon is sugar and is good for one pound.

The stocking shortage across Canada has the women all worn out standing in long lines waiting to get to counters.

SHOWER

A miscellaneous shower was held in honor of Miss Patricia Hutton on Dec. 19th at the home of her mother. Many friends of the bride-to-be attended and she was presented with many lovely gifts piled high in a nicely decorated basket which was carried into the room by Mrs. Geo. Pearce and Mrs. Wm. Wylie. Miss Vivian Hubbard assisted in opening the gifts, for which Miss Hutton thanked her friends. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess.

Mayor W. D. Allan, as Chief of the Vulcan Fire Department, in reporting not a single fire in town during 1944, wishes to congratulate the citizens for their efforts toward fire prevention. Negligence is so often the cause of great property loss and sometimes tragedy, that it behooves everyone to be careful with fire.

The annual banquet meeting of the Vulcan Curling Club was held in the Dobbs' hotel on Thursday, January 4th. Officers elected for the season 1944-1945 were: President, Glen Weatherly; vice-pres., Geo. Munro; and secretary, W. D. Allan. The committee remained the same as the present year.

Obituary

Mary Stein, aged 59 years, beloved wife of J. R. Stein of Vulcan, passed away in an Edmonton hospital, after a lengthy illness, on Saturday, December 30th, 1944.

She was born in Dundalk, Ont., coming to Alberta in 1907 and was married in High River the same year. They made their home in Calgary until 1913 then moved to the Vulcan district where they have since resided.

Besides her husband, she is survived by one son Reg; one daughter, Melba; one brother, Angus Sinclair of Watson Lake, Yukon, and two sisters Mrs. J. K. McLean of Calgary and Mrs. Henry Hooper of Guelph, Ont.

Mrs. Stein has been an active member of the Berrywater United church and of the U.F.A. and a tireless worker of the Red Cross.

Funeral services were held from the Vulcan United church on Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 with J. L. Wright officiating and Snodgrass Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Tom Love, Dewey Doane, Dave Lewis, Wilson Oldfield, Leslie Richardson and Bill Sharpe acted as pallbearers. Interment was made in the Vulcan cemetery.

RED CROSS NOTES

The following are gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. P. McAskile, $10; Mrs. R. B. Jamison, $10; Grade 1 (Miss Fair's room) $2.50; Eastway Socal Club $20; W.A. St. John's church, Lomond, $5.00.

The following have been sent to the Alberta Division: 9 prs. socks, 2 sleeveless sweaters; 12 coats, 6 sweaters, 23 prs. sockees; 3 dresses; 3 panties, 3 prs. leggings; 2 quilts.

The following is an extract from a bulletin from the Provincial Chaman of the Women's War Work committee:

"We urge you to go to your nearest Red Cross branch. Take whatever work is most needed and do it as quickly as possible. It is your own personal responsibility. You are the Red Cross. You are the only ones who can do it. The need is very real and very urgent. This is the home stretch—the last long mile. What is remembered afterwards is not with what high enthusiasm we began the job, but how we finished it. We must not and we cannot quit."

We feel confident that the women of Vulcan and district will do their part. The Red Cross room in the Legion hall is open every Saturday afternoon from 2 until 4 p.m. Please give the work committee a call, and you will find there some work that you can do.

The following articles are urgently needed: children's stockings and sweaters, infants leggings, also turtle neck sweaters for the Navy and Airforce; V necked long-sleeved sweaters for the army. Gloves and socks for all the services.

SCHOOL POSTER CONTEST

Prizewinners in the Essay and Poster contest at the Vulcan school during Nutrition Week, are as follows:

High School Poster—First, Valerie Lang; second, Helen Nelson.

Grade VII, VIII, IX, Poster—First, Henry Benoit; second, Doreen Weber; third tied, Clara Jacobson and Gordon Nault.

Grade IX Poem—First, Jean Benoit; second, Edna Shaw.

Grade II and III Poem—First, Maureen McIntosh; second, Marilyn Scales; third, Billy Hansell.

High School Essay—First, Agnes Henderson; second, Eileen Ruark; third, Eileen Robson.

Grade VII, VIII, IX Essay—First, David Ruark; second, Elaine Love; third, Gordon Nault.

Prizes of War Savings Stamps were given by Miss Hogg, District Home Economist; First 3 War Savings Stamps; second 2 stamps; third, 1 stamp.

ASSISTANT CHIEF HIGH SCHOOL INSPECTOR TO ADDRESS PUBLIC MEETING

The Vulcan Home and School Association wishes to announce that it has secured the services of Major W. E. Frame, assistant to the Chief Inspector of Schools for Alberta, to address its next meeting at the school on Thursday, Jan. 18th at 8 p.m.

Major Frame who recently was an Alberta High School nIspector, has just returned from overseas and is well versed on educational matters both here and in the Dominion. He has been invited to speak on "The Advantages the Vulcan School will derive from inclusion in a school division." This is a timely topic which all adults should hear discussed.

The Association cordially invited all citizens of Vulcan and district to attend this outstanding event.

Photo shows:- Churchill tanks waiting in a village before going into the attack on Mt. Pincon. The crews gratefully accept glasses of cider and milk brought out to them by village children.

Brief Items of Local Interest

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Anderson of Bellingham, Wash., have as their guests, Mrs. Anderson's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Magnus Hanson of Turner Valley. Mr. and Mrs. Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. Anderson visited in Seattle over the New Year week-end as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Clark (Mrs. Hanson's brother) and with Orphie and Thelma Hanson, Mr. Hanson's nieces) as well as a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hume who had as their guests their second son Harold, of the U.S. Navy, and Mr. Hume's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Maiden.

F/O R. J. Clark, D.F.C., has been posted to MacDonald, Manitoba

The regular monthly meeting of the Ensign Ladies' Aid was held at the home of Mrs. L. R. Blair on Thursday, Jan. 4th with eight members and six visitors present.

Business was confined to a discussion on holding a tea, the date of which is to be announced later. The meeting was then adjourned after which a dainty lunch was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ed. Carr on Thursday, Feb. 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jurney are spending a few weeks as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Drummond.

Mr. H. Ulrich left the first of the week for a holiday to Vancouver and Chilliwack, B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Elves are spending a month at the coast.

The Thigh Hill W.I. met at the home of Mrs. W. S. Hill, Thursday, January 4th with a fair attendance of members. The meeting opened by singing of O Canada, salute to the Flag and repeating of the Club Woman's Creed. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Roll call was answered by "the Most Interesting News of 1944." A report on the Rest Room was given by Mrs. Hill. A letter of greetings for the New Year was read from Mrs. Voisey. Plans were completed for entertaining the members' husbands at a turkey dinner to be held January 19th at the Roe home. Suggestions were made for the program for the coming year and hints for Roll Call given. Discussion regarding a produce sale to be held sometime in February took place but details were left for the next meeting. Recent new members to the branch are: Mrs. Maude Hawkins, Mrs. L. Orchard and Mrs. P. Lindgren. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Hawkins. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess at the close of a most pleasant afternoon.

Constable and Mrs. Jack Hurst have recently returned from their honeymoon and have taken up residence here.

An annual New Year's dinner which was provided by the ladies of the district was held in the Alston community hall on New Year's evening at 7.30. An entertaining program was presented by several young people of the district and some of the fifteen airforce guests, under the direction of Mrs. Douglas Galbraith. Following the program, a round of country dances, including quadrilles, three-step, waltz and other old time dances were enjoyed. After midnight cup of coffee, the pleasant evening came to a close. One of the student pilots expressed his gratitude in the words "It is years since I've enjoyed an evening so much."

Mrs. Joe Smolek and small son of Fernie are at present guests at the home of Mrs. Smolek's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lucas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Stafford and son Howard of Hartel were recent guests at the P. Bowie home.

Miss Gwenneth McLaggan of Calgary was a visitor to town last week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Shaw on Sunday, January 7th, a son

The funeral of the late Mrs. Sweet, mother of Mrs. W. J. Robson, of Vulcan will be held in the United Church, Vulcan, on Saturday afternoon Jan 13 at 2:30

K. Roy McLean, Optometrist and Optician -- Regular Visit—King's Drug Store, Tuesday afternoon, January 23rd and Champion the same morning. Calgary office 1015 Southam Bldg., last four days of the week.

Mrs. C. McAskile accompanied her husband to Calgary recently, from where he left for Eastern Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lucas of Calgary are at present visiting in the district.

Mrs. Agnes McKay and her son, Carson, are spending a few days in Calgary.

In a recent report on school concert show in the theatre, appreciation was extended by the Advocate to the teachers for their splendid work in training of the young artists. The name of Mrs. M. L. Todd was inadvertantly omitted, for which we duly apologize. The work of Mrs. Todd's class wasexceptionally fine and we certainly did not wish to slight either the teacher or her pupils.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. J. E. Gothard and family wishes to thank Dr. Carson, the nurses and staff of the Vulcan hospital, and their many friends for acts of kindness and beautiful floral tributes, during their recent sad bereavement.

Wedding Bells

SCHIERMAN — TUGGLE

Ruby Lee Tuggle, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tuggle became the bride of Samuel Schierman, third son of Mr. and Mrs. John Schierman of Vulcan, on the afternoon of December 21st, Rev. A. Anacher officiated.

The bride, who entered the Zion Evangelical Church, Didsbury, to the wedding music played by Miss Veina Feeg, was given in marriage by her father. She wore a full length embroidered veil over her long wedding gown of ivory taffeta, which was fashioned with a panelled bodice, sweetheart neckline and three-quarter length sleeves. Her only ornament was a pearl necklace, a gift of the groom. Her bouquet was of Talisman roses.

The bride's only attendant was Lav Rhonda Tuggle, her cousin, who was frocked in a floor length gown of pink sheer, and carried pink and white carnations.

Private David Schierman, brother of the groom, was groomsman, while Harold Feeg and Vern Wrigglesworth ushered the guests.

During the signing of the register, Mrs. A. Anacher sang "O Promise Me." Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church basement, the bride's table being decorated with a three-tiered wedding cake and bouquets of pink and white carnations.

Those who assisted in serving were Miss Elsie Stockburger, Calgary, Miss Joan Berscht, Miss Wava Deadrich, Miss Olive Snyder, Miss Irene Bogner and Miss Grace Hursperger.

Mrs. Tuggle and Mrs. Schierman assisted the bridal party in receiving, the former choosing for her daughter's wedding, a two-piece rust ensemble with matching hat and corsage of Pink roses. Mrs. Schierman was attired in a blue frock with contrasting hat. She wore a shoulder corsage of pink roses.

Following the reception Mr. and Mrs. Schierman left for a short honeymoon in Calgary and Vulcan travelling by car.

For travelling the bride chose a two-piece wool ensemble with brown accessories, a fur-trimmed moss green topcoat and matching green hat.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. G. Hartung and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fritzler and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Schierman, Lenora, Frieda and Albert Schierman, all of Vulcan, Mr. and Mrs. T. Celby, Mr. and Mrs. Shatto, Dolly Elhard, Elsie Stockburger and Esther Rausch, all Calgary.

The young couple will take up residencein Regina, Sask.

OLDFIELD — HUTTON

A quiet but pretty wedding took place on the morning of December 25 at ten o'clock at the home of Rev. and Mrs. E. G. Hansell, when Patricia Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hutton of Vulcan, became the bride of Edgar Charles Oldfield, of Balzac.

The bride looked charming in a pale blue dress and wore a corsage of red carnations. Miss Ann Seminoff, who acted as bridesmaid, was also attired in a pale blue dress and wore a corsage of carnations.

The groom was attended by his cousin, Andy Oldfield.

Immediately following the ceremony, a turkey dinner was served at the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. D. Wylie, the bride's table being decorated with a beautifully decorated three-tier wedidng cake.

The young couple will take up residence near Balzac.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Oldfield and son of Balzac were present for the wedding.

MAYVIEW

Mr. and Mrs. Gower and daughter, Vivian of Carmangay were New Year's Day visitors at the Plourd home.

Those attending the funeral of Mrs. Stein last week from Calgary, were Mr. and Mrs. J. K. McLean, Sgt. and Mrs. J. Huyck and Miss Jessie Sinclair.

Cpl. Walter Sinclair returned Wednesday evening to his duties at Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlo Doane and small son motored to Calgary on Friday to remain there for a few days.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. W. Sharp, on the birth of a son in the Municipal hospital on Jan. 3rd.

A meeting of the Women's Committee of the U.F.A. was held at the home of Mrs. E. Plourd on Jan. 5th with a fair attendance of members and several visitors present. The meeting opened by repeating the Lord's Prayer after which a minute's silence was observed in honor of the late Mrs. Stein.

BERRYWATER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. R. Adams entertained a number of friends at dinner, January 7th in honor of their daughter, Mrs. L. Palmer's birthday.

Mr. H. Douglass returned Sunday evening from a trip to Minot and Fargo, N.D. He was met in Calgary on his return by his wife.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. W. Sharpe on the birth of a son on January 3rd.

The newly organized Study Group was held January 5th, when a number of district people met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Oldfield. The topic of discussion for the evening was "Post War Reconstruction." Mrs. L. Oldfield directed the discussion bringing to light statistics of the Treaty of Versailles, Stuart Douglass gave a short report on the Treaty of Versailles as well. Reports and reviews on ideals and conference reports for reconstruction such as Dumbarton Oaks conference, Mongentheau views, UNNRA, Bretton Woods conference and International air conference were conducted by Mrs. W. Oldfield and Allain Sinclair, while Mr. L. Oldfield spoke on World Economy. An interesting discussion took place following each report with both optimistic and pessimistic views expressed. The next study group meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Oldfield January 26th at which time the Dumbarton Oaks conference will be fully reviewed and discussed, under committee leadership of Allan Sinclair, Stuart Douglass, Marjorie and Frank Love. This is an open meeting to everyone. Please come and present your views on this most important subject, Reconstruction and Rehabilitation as this is the theme of the study group. It is strongly desired to have the young people take an active part in all discussions.

EASTWAY

The sincere sympathy of the community is extended Mr. J. R. Stein and family in their recent sad bereavement.

Mrs. N. Johnson and son Sivert, accompanied by Mrs. Norman Twiss, were New Years' visitors to Mr. and Mrs. Kane of Acme.

We are pleased to learn that Mrs. Fisher has returned home after a recent operation at Lethbridge.

Donald Shatto is convalescent at home after a period in hospital while he underwent an operation.

Mrs. Johnson recently visited her sister at Swalwell.

Mrs. F. Wyatt was hostess to the Social Club on Jan. 14th. Mrs. W. Marshall presided over a good attendance of members and visitors. "Jingle Bells" was the opening song, followed by silent prayer for our forces and Victory. Several items of last year's business were cleared up and the sec.-treas., Mrs. Lewis gave a very satisfactory report of the Club's financial standing, and a further donation to the Vulcan Rest Room fund was unanimously agreed to. A report on the social evening sponsored by the Club on Dec. 23rd was given. Mrs. Marshall thanked the program committee for their co-operation on that date. Correspondence was read, after which the business of the annual meeting was proceeded with, the result being that Mrs. W. Marshall was re-elected president; Mrs. Tharle was elected by ballot as sec.-treas; Mrs. Lewis as assistant secretary; Mrs. F. Wyatt, 1st vice-pres.; Mrs. R. N. Hill as 2nd vice. Three members of the Sick and Social committee were re-elected Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. F. Wyatt, and Mrs. Onstad re-elected as Red Cross representative. The raffle donated by the hostess was won by Mrs. Johnson and the word-making contest by Mrs. Lewis. The roll call was answered by naming a Christmas gift received. Community singing followed and lunch served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Elder, Mrs. Owen Fleming and Mrs. Laughren.

The next meeting is to be at the home of Mrs. Johnson on Feb. 1st, and a card party in aid of the Rest Room fund will be held at the home of Mrs. P. Laughren on Jan. 12th.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Rushfeldt of Vulcan, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter Evelyn Audrey, to Frank William Colson, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Colson of Calgary; the wedding to take place in the Vulcan United church at 3.30 p.m. January 20, 1945.

Miss Rushfeldt is a 1943 graduate of the Holy Cross school of nursing.

After the routine business was disposed with, Mrs. L. E. Richardson gave an interesting account of the Rest Room committee activities, and announced that a card party would be held at her home on Jan. 18th in aid of the Rest Room. Everybody welcome.

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ALBERTA POPULATION

BETWEEN the years 1931 to 1941, the population of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, declined by 17,000. In referring to this the Pincher Creek Echo calls attention to the fact that the natural increase of the west during that period was 151,000, so we lost in actual population 17,000 more than the natural increase, or 188,000 people.

But the most important angle to be considered is that this loss from the prairie provinces was in the main, a loss of young people. Every community can bear testimony to that depletion. Opportunities for livelihood during depression years were so scarce that restless, frustrated young people drifted away, eventually finding employment in the east, across the line or in B.C. Our society is thus the poorer by a vigorous, forward looking element that should have been retained.

Lack of diversified industries is one factor in this emigration. Work was dependent mainly on farm prosperity, or on secondary industries serving the farms. When farm prices were collapsed, town and city business laid off employees. The same was true of all Canada, but to a most marked degree in areas which are almost entirely agricultural.

It would seem that this condition merits the most serious attention of the provincial government. There should be statistics available on the number of graduates from Alberta University or from high schools, who put their training to use in Alberta.

Unless we are absorbing in our provincial life, a large proportion of the ability on which money has been expended, then we are not getting adequate returns for expenditure.

Most of the young people whom we lost in those years between 1931 and 1941 are now established elsewhere and are now entering middle-age. But we cannot afford a continuing emigration of our youth. Alberta should always be home to the young people of the armed services who grew up and were educated here. It should be a place of opportunity for the children now in school and those who come after. If we do not guard our gates in this respect we will in quite measurable time feel the effect. We should continue to be a "young" province—young in outlook, spirit and daring. This can only be so if we provide opportunity for congenial work for those on the threshold of adult life.

Foothills S.D. Splendid Record

In the December issue of The Alberta School Trustee, a monthly magazine relating to school affairs, an article is carried on the Foothills School Division under the heading "Splendid Record." The article says:

"The Foothills School Division has continued its policy of bringing graded school opportunity to as many as possible, and last midsummer the numbers of teachers were reduced by five to bring present staff of 33 teachers.

"When the large division was established five years ago there were 77 rural schools in operation. There are now 37 vehicles conveying 632 children to schools in the division, and 23 schools are in operation. Vans have a total daily run of 1286 miles and there are 53 pupils receiving money payment in lieu of transportation.

"Last year safety glass was installed in all vehicles used in transportation and van signs were provided. The division owns no vans, all are operated under contract.

"Last year teachers and board decided on a salary schedule which gives the division the fourth highest schedule of rural inspectorates in the province. Tuitional fees for pupils attending Vulcan, High River, Nanton, Okotoks amounted to $7,706 last year.

"Financially, the division ended the year with a surplus of $19,909. It has no debenture debt nor other liabilities. A building and transportation reserve of $20,000 has been built up. In trust funds $17,000 has been invested in Victory bonds, $5000 of which is from the building reserve, and $12,000 belongs to individual school districts' balance in trust. Insurance is carried on property and liability."

Church Notes

CHURCH NOTES
ANGLICAN CHURCH

There will be service in St. Aldhelm's church, Jan. 21st at 7.30 p.m. with Rev. Vaughan-Birch of High River officiating.

The United Church of Canada

Morning service 11 a.m.; evening service 7.30 p.m. Special music.

All families, visitors, strangers and people in uniform are cordially welcome.

Sunday school at 12.15 noon.

Young People's Union is changed to meet for the present after the Sunday evening service.

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NEED FOR MOUSE TRAPS

A curious request came in a recent letter from the Canadian lines in Belgium. The young man said: "Please send me mouse traps, pencils, candles food."

In the last war we used to hear great stories of marauding rats, and a call for mere mousetraps in the current war seemed to indicate that it wasn't at all the man-size war of 1914-18. However, further explanation from this young man was that he was doing office work and would find the mouse traps just the thing to serve as paper clips. It sounds quite sensible too. A mouse trap would certainly keep a grim hold on any file, if the user could get used to the snap of the trap. The war calls for many forms of courage and nerve.

The request for pencils and candles is also something to keep in mind, especially if the recipient of parcels has any office duties. And the call for soap is never ending—also the call for food.

EXAGGERATION!

Gordon Good tells of a rather chilling experience recently. Moon's Hardware wrote him a letter and addressed it to the High River post office. It was returned to Mr. Moon with the explanatory word "Deceased" on the envelope. This surprised Mr. Moon and he asked Guy Eby when Mr. Good had become "deceased." Mr. Eby said that he had seen Mr. Good's car in town, and Mr. Good himself in circulation looked anything but "passed on." The news finally caught up with the man most concerned while he was calling at the hospital. When someone inquired solicitously of him whether he was alive or dead, Mr. Good was pleased to be able to give a decisive answer. But he did add that the hospital was just the spot to be in if the news had been true. He is still at large and feeling fine.

Funeral Services Frank F. Butler

Frank F. Butler, well known in Southern Alberta, died at his home in Black Diamond on Jan. 9. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. from High River United Church, with Rev. J. W. Bainbridge officiating and the Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. No flowers by request. Cremation will follow the funeral service.

Mr. Butler is survived by his wife; one daughter, Mrs. D. A. Fraser of High River; two sons, John of Arrowwood and Albert of Freewater, Oregon; two step-sons, H. C. Allen of Calgary and Harvey of Winamuca, Nevada. Twelve grandchildren also survive.

He was born at Latrobe, California, in 1863, and moved to the district east of High River about 1904. He resided in this district for twenty years or more, and since that time has lived at Black Diamond. He was a prosperous and progressive farmer, and a very generous, public-spirited citizen.

Rt. Rev. Geoffrey Fisher, Lord Bishop of London, with 12 years active clerical service, has succeeded Dr. Temple as Archbishop of Canterbury. He is known for his tolerance and unconventiality and was a former school teacher.

H. Gardner of Cayley has settled beyond all doubt the question of whether a hen does lay two eggs in one day. He was standing by a hen the other day waiting for the hen to lay her egg, and as he picked her up to gather her first offering she came through with another egg for him. All in Christmas spirit.

Mr. John Jeffery of Nanton has been a patient in hospital suffering from leg fractured in two places when he fell down an outside stairway at his son's home. The injuries were to his crippled leg which has had to be amputated.

Mr. Justice Lunney of Calgary, died on Dec. 23 at 59 years of age. He was elevated to the bench at 43 years of age, the youngest Supreme Court Judge in Canada.

British Columbia expects a big influx of English people after the war.

Arrowwood

Curling is now in full swing here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Leith and Mrs. Rainville spent Christmas and Box day with relatives in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylen Jones and Miss Dorothy Jean Jones motored down to Missouri for Christmas. They were accompanied by Mr. Bert McCulloch.

Mrs. Gordon Bogstie was home from Rainier for a few days during the holidays.

Funeral Services Hjalmar Johnson

Hjalmar Johnson, one of the early residents of the Blackie district, passed away in High River on January 3 following a very short illness. He was 76 years of age, and leaves to mourn his loss his wife, two daughters, and two sons. They are Mrs. R. R. Mayer of Turner Valley, Mrs. A. B. Parker of Brant, Edward and Calvin of Blackie. Five grandchildren also survive.

Mr. Johnson was born in Karstad, Sweden in 1869. He came to this continent as a youth of 19 settling first in the state of Illinois. In 1896 he moved to B.C. and was engaged in the livery business at Erie. In 1904 he moved to Alberta, taking up a homestead south of Blackie in the Frankburg district. In the same year he was married to Miss Arie Hewitt in Calgary.

During his lifetime Mr. Johnson served the public most competently for many years as secretary-treasurer and trustee for the Frankland school, and as a member of Riley Municipal Council. He was always ready to do his full part in community affairs, and was held in warm regard by everyone in the district.

Funeral services were held from High River United Church on Saturday, Jan. 6 at 2.30 p.m. There was a large gathering of friends and neighbors, as well as a representation from Cornerstone Lodge A. F. and A. M. Many beautiful floral tributes were given. Services were conducted by Rev. C. A. Warren, assisted by Rev. J. W. Bainbridge. In his address Mr. Warren paid understanding tribute to Mr. Johnson, referring to the fine heritage he had left to succeeding generations in good health and character, and to his responsiveness in helping others in any case of need. The foundation of a strong society, said Mr. Warren, is in such men. As part of the musical service Mr. Howden sang a solo accompanied by Mrs. Lian.

Graveside services were under Masonic auspices with the following pallbearers; L. W. Opel, J. S. McRobbie, G. Scott, C. A. Jensen, G. Lewis and J. Hansen. The Snodgrass Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements

Venus Flirts With Man in the Moon

Many star-gazers will recall one evening recently when a star sat on the tip of the new moon. There was quite an amount of comment round town about it, and we see by the Banff Crag and Canyon that Banffites also noted the unusual proximity. The Crag and Canyon forthwith sought out an astronomical authority and this is the report:

"Mr. Sanson said that the body seen above the moon was the planet Venus, and added that, while this planet travels across the sky, it is seldom seen in this position."

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NOTICE

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims upon the estate of the above-named William Alexander Smith who died on the 26th March, 1944 are required to file with the undersigned Administrator with the will of the estate of the deceased by the 15th February 1945 a full statement duly verified of their claims and of any securities held by them and after that date the Administrator with the will will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims so filed or which have been brought to his knowledge.

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Only two! But it means that fifteen or sixteen fine young Canadians, the pick of our youth, won't come home to Canada.—Orillia Packet.

PERTINENT TOPICS

DISCUSSED BY H. C.

An English M.P. said, not long ago, that Lloyd George had spent the last years of his life in an unsuccessful attempt to ruin his own reputation. Chivalry rather than a desire for accuracy prompted the use of the adjective "unsuccessful" for his reputation has suffered grievously since he missed the bus that would have taken him direct from Chequers to Carnarvon at the zenith of his career. He did not catch it. He did not wish to catch it. Instead he hung on, won the khaki election and was undone without the aid of another such victory. Supplanted by Bonar Law, as he himself had supplanted Asquith, the rest of his course was bound in shallows and in miseries. Having control of the Liberal campaign funds he sought to gain party leadership but had to be content with an independent Liberal offshoot. The result of one election was summarized thus by a rhymester:

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"What party am I leading now?"
Said Daffy o'er the water.
"A happy little family group,
Myself, my son and daughter."

The exigencies of versification obliged the poet to leave out the little Welshman's son-in-law When in the early days of the other war he, as a member of the Asquith government, was asked by his leader to keep in touch with Lord Northcliffe who was rampaging against the government, Lloyd George replied "You are asking me to take a quiet evening stroll with a grasshopper." It was an apt description of the newspaper Napoleon of that time and Asquith must have reflected later that it was an apt description of the Welsh solicitor himself for in an obvious reference to the person who supplanted him Mr. Asquith said that a man is not necessarily busy because he is bustling.

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A Canadian soldier who has spent a good deal of time in Wales, writes that the people of South Wales dislike the people of North Wales and adds that so far he has not heard anyone in that country speak a good word of Lloyd George. If this is correct, it is a wise decision to quit after fifty years of parliamentary life. If after his signal success as a war leader he had not sought to retain or regain leadership his star might not, probably would not be in declension today. Little or nothing that he did or said since was worthy of the Lloyd George of 1918.

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Vanity, inordinate conceit, the lust for power or perhaps only a disinclination to step down is liable to make a leader regard his own ambitions and desires as a call for further service and to presume public recognition of his indispensability. The Duke of Wellington lagged superfluous on the stage even after crowds jeered him in the streets and smashed the windows of Apsley House. His military glory could not save him from the fate that awaits the political leader who fails to note that exit doors are not placed on the stage for nothing. Hundreds of people in Chicago were trampled to death in the Iroquois theatre because they did not observe the Exit doors and thought the only way out was the way they came in. In his own theatre the politician is liable to get it into his head that the exit doors are for others—not for him. There are several ways in which he can gracefully retire but he loves the klieg lights and thinks the applause will continue a while longer.

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A South Wales man told my soldier correspondent it was a South Wales man who wrote the two verses about Lloyd George after death sitting in state between Satan and Judas Iscariot while Ananias demands promotion away from the fire to make room for that blighter from Wales. Lloyd George could take it and give it. Acceptance of an earldom puts him in the class he used to blister with withering scorn though not in the same class as the Cecils whose fingers he said were "dripping with fat of sacrilege," meaning that their estates were won by the original Cecil's spoiling of the church. Everything that happened in the last quarter century of Lloyd George's career tells Winston Churchill to quit when the quitting's good. But he won't.

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Sir Robert Borden gave the cue to others of his day. When, his work done, he retired to the seclusion of his home and his books but then Sir Robert had no vanities, no lust for power, no illusion of indispensability. When the war came he divorced himself from politics and applied himself only to the task of seeing the thing through. To get unity of action he offered to retire, or to serve with or under his great political adversary and friend, Sir Wilfrid Laurier. To effect a coalition of parties he had to displace old friends to find places for old opponents, an odious and thankless task, incurring hostility from the former and sometimes rebuffs from the latter. Three western Liberals offered to join provided he would give way to any one of three men whom they named. They afterwards joined and served loyally under him. Two of them now living will, if they read this, feel like asking, "Why bring that up?" The three men whom they named have been dead for a decade or more. They were Knights sans peur, sans reproche but their best friends would not say that any one of them was comparable to Sir Robert in ability, capacity, industry, determination, patriotism and last but by no means least—patience and endurance to suffer fools amiably, if not gladly.

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Times Now Starts Its Fortieth Year

With the coming of the year 1945 the High River Times is entering its fortieth year of publication under the ownership and management of Charles Clark. The forty years of publication in High River will have been completed in November, 1945. The Times is one of the oldest weeklies in the province, and one of the very few that has continued under the same ownership since its establishment. There seems quite good prospect that forty years from now the High River Times will still be in the Clark family with young Joe and Peter coping with the news of the countryside and old Chas. A. hovering round with veteran advice. Perhaps High River may be a metropolis by that time, but here's hoping that the same family names that have been appearing in our columns for the last thirty-nine years, will still be gracing the news in goodly numbers.

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Friends of Mr. Arthur McIvor will be interested to learn he has secured a position as bookkeeper for a business firm at Pincher Creek and will shortly leave to take up his new duties.

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Bob Edwards "Eye Opener"

(Calgary Eye Opener, Aug. 6, 1906)

Train Robber Reward

No signs yet of the five doughty members of the R.N.W.M.P. getting any of the reward they earned in capturing those three notorious train robbers. There are three rewards to which they are entitled, aggregating $11,500.

What is the betting that they get beat out of the whole thing? Being policemen living under military discipline they cannot make any very strenuous move in the matter—in fact they cannot make any move at all—a circumstance which allows mean advantage to be taken.

Here is the Reward placard which was published and broadcast immediately after the robbery:

$11,500 Reward

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. offer a reward of $5000 for the capture, dead or alive, of the three robbers who held up train 97 between Ducks and Kamloops on the morning of the 9th inst., or $1000 for the capture, dead or alive, of any one of the robbers.

The Dominion government also offers $5000 on the same terms as the above.

The B.C. provincial government offers $1500 for each man for capture and conviction. — By Order.
Kamloops, B.C., May 12, 1906.

Why Don't They Pay Up?

The Dominion government has a loophole for escape of payment through the Mounted Police rule that no member of the force is entitled to reward for doing his duty.

That is all very well. But the duty performed in the present instance was performed outside the territory in which the police had engaged to serve. Commissioner Perry, we understand, is doing his best for the men and may bring the authorities at Ottawa to a proper sense of their obligation. The moral effect of the capture on the desperado class if of incalculable value to the west.

But there is absolutely no excuse for the C.P.R. wiggling out of the obligation they undertook. It was William Whyte himself who applied for the loan of some members of the R.N.W.M.P. to pursue the search. He had had previously $30,000 worth of experience in discovering the incompetence of the Thistle Detective Agency in connection with the Mission Junction train robbery. The same old desperado, Bill Miner, was implicated at that time. So in applying for the loan of a batch of the R.N.W.M.P., William Whyte of the C.P.R. did so with expectation that they would succeed in capturing the men who had proved such a menace to his railway. It is presumed that he offered the $5000 reward in cold blood and full control of his senses. Then why in heaven's name doesn't he pay it?

If the C.P.R. fails to fulfil this self imposed obligation, we have a photo of the Mounted Police dashing out and risking their lives to capture C.P.R. hold-up men another time.

As for the reward offered by the B.C. government no one really ever expected that to be paid. They have the reputation of being crookeder than the train robbers themselves.

Hot Air? Well, Come Through

At the smoking concert given at Regina in connection with the Autonomy celebration, Sir Wilfred Laurier delivered a glowing speech about the Royal North West Mounted. He said he was so proud of the force that there was one office which he would never throw up and that was the office of Minister of the R.N.W.M.P. The interests of the force, he said, were ever near his heart. Was this just hot air? If not he had better do the square thing and order that reward to be paid forthwith. It is shameful that there should be any delay because there was certainly no delay about the boys when they set out to make their capture.

Misleading

The public is under the impression that the Mounted Police recently got a raise in pay of 25c a day. Well they didn't. The newspapers were full of nonsensical guff about this munificent raise in pay, commending such generous recognition by the government of this splendid body of men. As a matter of fact that 25 ct. raise in pay is not realized until a constable has accomplished nine years' service.

Too Many Duties

As we are on the subject of the police it might be a good opportunity to draw attention to the anomaly in the position of an R.N.W.M.P. inspector sitting in judgment as a magistrate. Here we have a victim arrested by the police, prosecuted by the police, tried by the police and sentenced by police. Technically, the same man is arrester, prosecutor and judge. It might not be so bad in the lone north where there are no Justices of the Peace but in populated sections the individual charged with a crime should have a better run for his alley.

Happily our Mounted Police Inspectors are men possessed of high sense of honor, and we do not believe they have ever taken arbitrary action to the prejudice of a prisoner. But the system looks bad from a judicial standpoint. It is hardly fair that a prisoner who may be as innocent as Mary's lamb has to come for hearing before the same outfit that procured evidence against him.

Toronto Is Storm Centre This Winter

Charles Clark, Editor of Times, Tells of Visit to the East; Met Major Currie, V.C. on Train. Other Interesting People

(By Charles Clark)

Those who have visited eastern Canada in recent weeks, particularly the section centring round Toronto, see more snow than has been experienced in this section of Alberta over a period of years. No matter how pleasant and hospitable an eastern trip may be, nor how many congenial friends one may meet, it is something of a relief to return to southern Alberta, with its open roads, easy travel and frequent sunshine.

Going east in November the train was packed with men and women in uniform, from Vernon and other western points. They were the Reserve army and seemed a jolly good natured lot. They were quite prepared to go overseas, but did not like the government methods in sending them over. They were in favor of all-out conscription, and did not approve any favoritism. They were largely Anglo-Saxon and some French-Canadians.

We arrived in Toronto accompanied by a snowstorm. Later the famous "big snow" occurred, paralyzing street traffic and suspending business generally for a time. Schools were closed, hospitals and hotels jammed, street cars packed like sardines, and there were many casualties as a result of the storm. The difficulty in getting labor and trucks to cope with the situation made snow removal a real problem. Main business streets such as Bloor, Young and King were cleared, but on residential streets the solution was tunnels for pedestrians, motors and street cars, with snow which had been cleared off, piled to great height. From the air these tunnels must have presented a curious sight. Garbage removal was a problem as it was impossible to clear alleys, so piles of garbage of all sorts stood on the snowdrifts in front of stately homes, waiting for removal. The question of where to put snow cleared from in front of a garage or house, was a common problem. The man who cleared a space to get his car out, usually had to do so at the expense of a neighbor, and many a householder was completely snowed in with the accumulation of his own and his neighbor's snow. The early riser had all the advantage.

C. P. R. Efficiency

I left Toronto on Dec. 27 with another severe storm in progress. We were more than two hours in getting out of Toronto, and four hours late in reaching Winnipeg. One must pay tribute to the C.P.R. for the magnificent way in which they carry on. They also are subjected to the orders-in-council, and quick changes in government regulations which often prove an embarrassment in dealing with the travelling public. Despite the fact that over 20,000 employees have joined the services from C.P.R. ranks, the company maintains its high standard of courteous service in all departments. Even the dining car problem is difficult with all the help shortage, but miraculously the public is cared for in this as in other lines of service. On the night we left Toronto there were three sections going west, about 20 or 30 minutes apart. One can appreciate the alertness and competence of the entire train crews in handling such traffic smoothly in most difficult weather conditions with no accidents. And this is just part of the daily movement to and fro. The few accidents on the C. P. R. certainly reflect credit on those in charge. Hats off to our pioneer line!

Meet Major Currie

A very happy incident of the westward trip was a meeting with Major Currie of Moose Jaw, recently awarded the Victoria Cross. His courage and valor in engagements in France, Belgium and Holland have been front page news but despite honors conferred he is extremely modest about his exploits and a most congenial companion. He did tell of a number of hair-breadth escapes, and had the feeling that special protection does hover over men at times. For instance on one occasion he just stepped out of a tank and a moment later a shell destroyed it.

He was given great receptions at Winnipeg, Regina and Moose Jaw. An amusing incident occurred at Moose Jaw where the Veterans Guard was lined up in Major Currie's honor. He stepped up to a Sergt-Major MacDonald, a little man with a mighty voice, tapped him in the stomach and said "Pull that in." It was explained that Sgt.-Major MacDonald had trained Currie when he was a raw recruit, and it was a chance for retaliation too good to pass up.

The award of the Victoria Cross was given for an outstanding record of leadership culminating in a specific period when he held his men on the battle line of Falaise leading them forward into positions again and again which they held and "during the next 26 hours after the Germans had hurled one counter attack after another against the Canadian force, Major Currie's little band repulsed all assaults, destroying a great quantity of enemy equipment, killing 200 Germans, wounding 500 and capturing 1100 more. He then ordered the capture of the village, cutting off the escape route of the enemy."

Major Currie wants to go back and help in the Hun defeat. Their inhumanity and brutality are unforgettable. He believes that Holland will not recover or be re-established productively for 50 years. The Germans have wrought great havoc in that country, removing everything of value that they could and destroying dykes to flood the country.

Another interesting train acquaintance was an officer in the Medical Corps, specializing in psychiatry. He spoke of a modern treatment by inoculation which is effective with shell-shocked soldiers, banishing the fear that takes control of them; and leaving no ill effects. He also spoke of the good work done in education of trainees who have previously had almost no education. These men are quietly brought together, saving them the embarrassment of being handicapped by association with the better educated. They are under wise sympathetic instructors and have been well taught in rudiments as well as receiving military training and in various trades.

ARROWWOOD

Arrowwood residents were saddened to receive the news of Mr. Patrick Coleman's death on Dec. 22nd in a Banff hospital. He left to mourn, his widow and two daughters, Lieut. Marion Coleman of the U.S. Army and Patricia (Mrs. John Stulisatz) of Ranier; one sister at Rochester, Minn. and two brothers. The funeral was held in Calgary on Dec. 27th at 9 a.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral and was interred in St. Mary's cemetery. The service was conducted by Father Labelle at Gleichen. Mr. Coleman was 60 years of age and had been a resident of Arrowwood for ten years. He had held various responsible positions during that time, being town secretary and secretary of the Consolidated School and will be much missed in the community. Mrs. Coleman is remaining in Banff for the present where she has a position in the hospital.

The Social Credit auxiliary are holding a bridge and whist drive on January 19th.

Miss Doris House, Miss Ethelyn Beagle, Miss Margaret Williams and Miss Jeanette Munsey all came home from Calgary for Xmas.

Miss Freda Board came home from Calgary for the holidays, She is stock taking for the Marshall Wells wholesale paint company there.

Miss Ursula Robinson spent Christmas at Cereal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sheeran and Harold went up to Calgary on Sunday. Mr. Sheeran returned Monday; Harold on Tuesday and Mrs. Sheeran on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Norton and family visited in Lethbridge on Dec. 20th. They also went up to Irricana on New Year's Day and then on to Calgary to visit Flight/Lieut. and Mrs. Herb Millar returning home on Wednesday.

From Calgary Mr. and Mrs. E. Jacques went on to Saskatoon to attend the wedding of their son Jerry. Lac Jerry Jacques, R.C.A.F. was married in Saskatoon on Dec. 27th to Law Marjorie Bishop of Weyburn.

Pte. Norman and Mrs. Jacques and Jo Ann are visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. E. Jacques and Mr. and Mrs. Gaylen Jones during Pte. Jacques' New Year's leave.

Word has been received that Acl Johnnie Butler was burned in England during an explosion. But we are pleased to report that he is progressing favorably.

Lac Lawrence Canning from Boundary Bay, B.C., is spending his New Year's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Munsey.

Films for adults were presented at the school by the National Film Board, Wednesday evening and Thursday afternoon for the pupils.

The interior of the C.P.R. station has been decorated.

The shipment of blankets made from wool shipped by the U.F.W.A. to Fairfields, Winnipeg has arrived.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Francis went up to Calgary on Tuesday taking Miss Margaret Williams back to Calgary.

Mrs. Lord and Lavonne came home by bus Tuesday after visiting Mrs. Lord's daughter Mrs. Oscar Johnson at Turner Valley where they were joined by Miss Velma Lord who is now completing her comptometer course in Calgary.

Others returning to Arrowwood on Tuesday were Miss Violet Mitchell, Miss Edith Berger, Miss Ursula Robinson, Mrs. Thring and Mrs. Fleming.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Ward were Calgary visitors Wednesday.

The school reopened Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

The U.F.W.A. entertained the U.F.A. at a fine pot-luck luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hall. Afterwards the two organizations held a short joint meeting to discuss further improvements to their hall and also resolutions which are going to be brought up at the annual convention in Edmonton. A miscellaneous sale then was held with Mrs. Hall as auctioneer which realized $8.75 which will be applied on the cost of the addition to the hall. It was decided to have another pot-luck luncheon on Jan. 24th at the hall at which non-members can get a meal for 40c and their children at 25c apiece. It was reported that the Juniors will meet next on Jan. 13th and hold an election of officers.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hough will be pleased to hear of the arrival of their baby boy, Richard Allen at the Holy Cross hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunka, nee Miss Margaret Richards, have moved to Montreal. Mr. Dumka has received his discharge from the army.

Christmas Seal Donations Are Up

High River District Still Slightly Below Last Year's Mark in Xmas Seal Contribution

Proof of widespread approval of the Alberta Tuberculosis Association's early diagnosis campaign, is seen in figures just released by C. Robert Dickey, general secretary of the association.

$70,000.00 is the objective for Alberta in the 1944-45 Christmas Seal campaign, and as the year ends, total receipts amount to $42,000.00 or 60 percent of the objective.

This figure compares with receipts of $27,000.00 at the same period in last year's seal sale.

"Many thousands of people in Alberta have delayed sending their contribution to the fight against tuberculosis," said Mr. Dickey. "We are grateful to all those who have responded so promptly and so generously, but we are still $28,000.00 short of the amount we must have if we are to continue the mass X-ray surveys of the province for discovery of early tuberculosis."

Mr. Dickey disclosed that average donations are larger this year, and that a considerable number have already sent in a second contribution as a result of learning more of the Association's work in case-finding and rehabilitation of ex-patients.

Rural Alberta has responded this year more promptly than the cities. Mr. Dickey appealed strongly to city residents to send their contributions soon, as the year's work must be planned in advance.

Since March an average of 100,000 magazines a month have gone overseas from magazine depots in Canada. The Alberta quota of 4000 a month has been maintained or bettered. More current magazines would be welcomed, and the majority going overseas are not over a month old. Locally the I.O.D.E. has been active in receiving and assembling magazines for distribution to the Navy League, Merchant Marine, etc., and magazines should be of recent date.

In the round-the-world flight from Canada, carried out by the Commando, a farmed Liberator of RAF Transport Command, the average time was over 203 miles an hour to cover the journey in 5 days, 1 hour and 9 minutes.

BLACKIE

Quite a bit of excitement was caused on Thursday morning when it was discovered that the brick school in Blackie was on fire. The pupils quickly removed seats and books from the building and then assisted a large number of citizens who responded hurriedly to the call of the fire bell. Good work at the right time brought the fire under control in a relatively short time. A part of the roof and ceiling of one room were damaged but repairs are proceeding rapidly and it is hoped the room will soon be in usable shape again.

We have heard of a number of people of the district who have had their own troubles attendant upon the heating of their homes in this cold weather. In certain instances fumes and smoke have escaped into the house causing both danger and inconvenience to the occupants.

Lorne MacIntosh has recently undergone an appendectomy and is reported to be progressing satisfactorily.

Bobby Hanwell has been in hospital having his tonsils removed. We hope to see Bobby around town again soon looking and feeling as well as ever.

The community deeply regrets the passing of one of its old timers in the person of Mr. H. Johnson. Quite a number of friends attended the funeral held in the High River United church last Saturday. The sympathy of all goes out to the bereaved family.

MILO NEWS

Some Milo Residents Make This Claim. Catastrophe at Charity Dance. Work and Play Through District

Here's one for R. D. Colquette. The people of this district have often been told that Lake McGregor is the largest artificial lake in Canada although you can't prove it by me. However, it is fed by about 20 miles of canal from the Bow River and there must be some weird and wonderful things come down that ditch. A while ago Leonard Northcott caught a 4 lb. 7 oz. steelhead trout and one of the McIntyre boys netted a forty pound pike. And that is a lot of fish to come down anybody's pike.

Here is a list of suggested improvements for 1945. Death of Hitler, death of Himmler and sudden demise of Ma Perkins. Elimination of Pepper Young and his entire family and Richard Needham's cheap ridicule of Good King Wenceslaus and other time-honored legends.

The East Milo group opened their bridge sessions this week. Russel Smith's wife threw out his rabbit's foot last year when she was spring-cleaning and Russel can't get anywhere. High scores for round number one were made by Ted Tester and Mrs. A. Alston.

The Milo School Dormitory has been fortunate in obtaining the services of Mrs. Jean Jordan, widow of the late Rev. Jordan, pastor of the Baptist church, as Dormitory mistress for the balance of the school term.

Milo branch of the Canadian Red Cross will hold its annual meeting on January 17. All members are asked to attend as plans will there be formulated for meeting the 1945 budget.

The Charity dance put on at New Years by the Oddfellows' Order went over big, although our 200 lb. transfer man had a little difficulty in getting his torso into his corsets in the elopement race. Bob Umscheid experienced the nightmare dreaded by so many girls, in these days of inferior elastic. In the middle of the race and in the presence of a dance hall filled with people, he and his lace-trimmed panties parted company. The proceeds of $48.00 will be divided as follows: Milk for Britain, $16.00; Wood's Christian Home $16.00; Junior Red Cross $16.00.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dishaw and daughter of Milden, Sask., who are wintering in Calgary were visitors at the home of his brother Glenn H. Dishaw. Bob had a friend in Calgary who wished to spend the winter at Milden and Bob had no objection to wintering in Calgary, houses at both places were at a premium so they merely made a trade. Quite a system.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tester have been trying for some years to build up a flock of purebred broadbreasted turkeys and recently received results of a blood test from the Dept. of Agriculture. The test showed their birds to be absolutely free from Pullorum, one of the most dread diseases known to hatchery men.—Any step in a community, toward better stock or poultry is something to be commended and turkey raising should have a real future in this district.

Mrs. Alma Turloch, nee Alma Vennesland left this week for Centralia, Ontario where she will join her husband, P/O Alfred Turloch who has been posted there.

Miss Byrladene McMorris has gone to Calgary to undergo an operation on her foot. Best of luck Byrla.

We are pleased to report that Albert Bushell Jr. is able to leave the hospital and resume his Airforce duties.

Mrs. Edward (Grandma) Bushell has gone to Calgary and will spend the winter there.

Unto Us A Child Is Born

I wonder if there is anywhere else in this modernized world of ours where a man is made to feel and does feel as absolutely useless and unnecessary as in the corridor of a maternity ward?

We ourselves can carry off most situations with a certain aplomb. With eagle eye and stern visage we go about our business in the lingerie department of a departmental store, buying this and that watch-you-may-nail-it, for the missus or for Aunt Susie. I'll admit that a couple of times we blushed profusely when we mistook a wax model dressed only in unmentionables for the real thing. We can also wander among the bathers at the pool at Banff and permit our eye to reveal neither gloating nor amazement at the wonders of nature, but this maternity business, leaves us floored. Doctors, pastors, psychologists and wives all tell us that we are partners in the home and family life but the nurses never heard of such foolishness. Partners my eye, husbands are not partners, they are pests.

When the dark shadow of the stork begins to hover over the domestic chimney pot, the husband gets out the family bus and makes a frantic trip to the hospital. He assists his wife to the door and from that moment she is no longer his. A couple of nurses jump to the rescue and their looks of disdain and pity convey the impression that whatever a chap was doing, it was definitely wrong. Why is it that a starched and ironed nurse can intimidate a fellow with a glance. Take these same nurses in sweaters and frocks, a lovely car and a moonlight night and they become human and altogether desirable. But we digress, we are getting away from our subject.

After the stork has paid its visit the father, upon the insistence of the mother, accompanies the nurse to the baby ward and is allowed a peek at the child through a pane of glass. The nurse meanwhile, glaringly defies him to express his sentiments, his amusement or his disappointment. Can that little boiled lobster be his? Has there not been some error? Any suggestion like this is taken by the nurse as personal effrontery.

Finally the day arrives when the baby is compelled to forsake all this efficiency and take its chances in a cruel world with this masculine stranger. The father with a gesture of gallantry opens his arms to take the child and the nurse fills them with suitcases and flowers, meanwhile bestowing upon the chap a withering look of pity. She carries the baby, he leads the mother to the waiting car with a leer of triumph. Father demurely hangs up the rear, looking as though he cannot help it and vowing silently never to let it happen again.

Interest Girls in Nurses' Profession

Miss M. Howard, representing the Alberta Association of Registered Nurses in the interest of student recruitment was a visitor in this district recently. She accompanied nurses of the Health Unit in their visits to high schools, giving a brief talk to older students on nursing as a desirable profession. Arrowwood, Milo, Queenstown, Mossleigh and High River were amongst the schools visited, and the tour will be continued in January.

Although no student is eligible at the moment, Miss Howard's talk served to direct the thought of the girls to considering nursing as a profession when they graduate from school. She gave specific data on standards required, hospitals for training and the different types of nurses' training courses offered in Alberta. The need for more recruits does not need stressing, and when the admittedly stiff period of training is over, the rewards are well worth the work involved.

Miss Howard stressed certain requisites of which good health is a primary requirement. Interest in people is also most important. A desire to know people and to help them, a liking for people is a great asset in making a good nurse. There must be tolerance, tact and a sense of humor to carry the heavy duties with balance. Apprenticeship as a nurse is different from entry into many other callings through the fact that from the very beginning a nurse-in-training is performing important service in relieving the sick.

On graduation, a girl makes her choice of several avenues of service. She might nurse in a hospital, or on private duty work in homes, or in the air line service.

In Alberta there are three courses offered in training; a three year certificate course at a general hospital; a four year course offered by the Ponoka Mental Hospital; a five year course offered by University of Alberta leading to a B.Sc.

All student nurses must have the High School diploma of 100 credits, with chemistry 2, and physics 2 or biology in order to qualify to write the R.N. examinations at conclusion of training. Senior matriculation is required at Univ. of Alberta hospital or for further university work.

Minimum age is 18 or 19 years and in some cases the maximum age is 30 years.

All nursing schools are non-sectarian.

Entrance fees charged in most schools for text books and uniforms are $10.00 with board and room supplied by the hospital. After the student nurse completes preliminary period (3 to 6 months) an allowance of $5 to $15 monthly is paid by general hospitals; $35 to $45 by the Mental hospital.

The Superintendent of Nurses of the following schools of nursing will furnish information regarding her school.—Calgary General, Edmonton General, Galt Hospital, Lethbridge; Holy Cross, Calgary; Lamont Hospital; Medicine Hat General; Misercordia Hospital, Edmonton; Prov. Mental Hospital, Ponoka; Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton; Univ. of Alberta Hospital, Edmonton; Vegreville General Hospital.

Ft.-Lt. E.B. Allan On 'Honors' List

Many Southern Alberta airmen were honored in the New Year Honors list of awards announced from Ottawa. Amongst them was Ft./Lt. Everett Brock Allan of No. 5 E.F.T.S. who won the King's commendation for Valuable Services in the Air.

Flight Lieutenant Everett Allan was born in Calgary on May 3, 1913, and attended schools there before going to University School at Victoria, B.C. Previous to his enlistment at Calgary on Feb. 27, 1941, he was supervisor with an oil company. He was stationed at No. 5 E.F.T.S., High River. His wife and two children, Gerald Brock and Jeffrey Grant, live at Calgary and his mother, Mrs. I. M. Allan, lives at Westmount, Que.

From March 1 to Oct. 1 about 200 tons of milk powder have been used for Canadian manufacture of penicillin. Whey provides the necessary milk sugar. It is expected that 1945 requirements will be greater.

Sir William Mulock has left an estate of $2,500,000. One special bequest was $50,000 for Prime Minister Mackenzie King.

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M. G. WAY, Secretary

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